

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING  
320 WEST TEMPLE STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

**NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**PROJECT NUMBER:** R2010-01627-(1-5), Case No. RADV 201000005

1. **DESCRIPTION:**

*The revision of the Agua Dulce Community Standards District (CSD) contains a series of amendments to Title 22 of the Los Angeles County Code intended to maintain a dispersed, low density pattern for future development in Agua Dulce in order to preserve the secluded rural nature of the community. The proposed standards are designed to protect the equestrian, agricultural, historical, cultural, archaeological, and geological characteristics of the community by preserving sensitive natural features, by maintaining and enhancing the pedestrian and equestrian trail system, and by minimizing the placement of urban infrastructure, such as street lights and concrete sidewalks, that would alter the character of the community. The CSD does the following: requires routes on the highway plan to use alternate rural highway standards where possible; places restrictions on signage in the Agua Dulce community; requires that land division projects creating more than four lots or parcels of land contain public dedicated trail easements designed to connect to existing or planned trails and to provide connectivity to recreational uses; allows density controlled development including development in hillside management areas and significant ecological areas, so long as each lot or parcel contains a minimum acreage, yardage, width, and depth; prohibits the creation of more than four lots per parcel of land in hillside management areas except where a written analysis demonstrates that grading will not be conducted uniformly across the entirety of the project and will be limited to the pads of the individual structures; contains provisions for the protection of significant ridgelines including mandating that structures be located a minimum of 50 vertical and horizontal feet from any significant ridgelines; contains zone specific development standards for residential and agricultural zones that include provisions for lot design, required yardage, standards for home based occupations, number of dogs allowed per parcel, and number of cargo shipping containers allowed; contains zone specific development standards for commercial zones which include provisions for structure design, utilities and equipment, and pedestrian and equestrian accommodation requirements; and outlines a procedure for the modification of development standards. All of the amendments proposed by the CSD revision pertain to improvements that would be part of future projects - each subject to their own CEQA review.*

2. **LOCATION:**

*Agua Dulce*

3. **PROPONENT:**

*Los Angeles County*

4. **FINDINGS OF NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT:**

**BASED ON THE ATTACHED INITIAL STUDY, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.**

**5.     LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS:**

**THE LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
ON WHICH ADOPTION OF THIS NEGATIVE DECLARATION IS BASED IS:  
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, 320 WEST TEMPLE STREET,  
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**DATE:**            *February 22, 2012*